

MINERS' SCALE IS THE SAME

National Convention Declines to
Make Any Radical Changes in
Rate of Wages.

SOME CHANGES IN CONSTITUTION

Indianapolis, Jan. 25.—The national
convention of the United Mine Work-
ers before adjournment today went
into executive session to consider the
report of the scale committee.

But few changes were made in the
constitution. The amendment provid-
ing for the election of national officers
by direct vote of delegates to the na-
tional convention was defeated.

Probably the most important feature
of the constitution committee's report
was the decision taken by the con-
vention against the adoption of the
stamp system for collection of per
capita taxes and dues. The recom-
mendation of the committee that the
system be adopted was rejected under
the leadership of Illinois and Ohio.

The initiation fee of the organiza-
tion fixed at \$10 for practical miners.
For others the fee is left to the discre-
tion of the district.

A resolution was adopted providing
that the organization go on record
against disfranchisement because of
race, color or previous condition of
servitude.

CONSUL MAYER REPORTS

On American Company Which Claims
to Have Big Land Concession
in Argentine Republic.

SAYS THAT IT IS NOT TRUE.

Washington, Jan. 25.—The depart-
ment of state has received from Consul
Mayer at Buenos Ayres, Argentine
Republic, a report concerning a com-
pany in Minneapolis with branch of-
fices throughout the United States.

The company is selling shares of \$500
each, each shareholder being entitled
to certain lands and privileges in the
Argentine Republic. The company,
according to Mayer's informant claim-
ed to have made certain arrangements
with the Argentine government, where-
by the company would be exempt from
taxation for ten years, and will be
allowed to carry all their household farm
machinery, etc., into the country free
of duty.

They claim to be able to buy
lands in Argentina for from fifty cents
to two dollars per acre and will di-
vide said land among the shareholders.

Consul Mayer says the chief of the
land office at Buenos Ayres informs
him that Argentina does not know
the company and has made no ar-
rangements with them whatever.

ARMY APPROPRIATION BILL

As Passed by the House Monday
Carries the Sum of \$75,000,000.

SOME AMENDMENTS DEFEATED.

Washington, Jan. 25.—The house to-
day passed the army appropriation
bill carrying approximately \$75,000,000
after adopting a number of amend-
ments.

The provision for the consolidation
of the adjutant general's departments
and the record and pension office of
the war department into one bureau to
be known as the military secretary's
office, was stricken from the bill on a
point of order raised by Mr. Grosve-
nor of Ohio.

The item of \$400,000 for the con-
struction of an army general hospital
at Washington also went out on a
point of order, as did the paragraph
providing for the construction of a
submarine cable from Sitka to Port
Lisium.

A resolution calling on the secretary
of state for information as to the num-
ber of carriage maintained by the gov-
ernment for the state department was
adopted.

CHICAGO FIREMEN ARE BUSY

In Twenty-Four Hours They Had to
Answer Sixty-Three Alarms,
Only One Serious.

SEVERAL FIREMEN INJURED.

Chicago, Jan. 25.—During the twenty-
four hours ending at ten o'clock to-
night the fire department of Chicago
was called upon to fight sixty-three
separate fires. The majority of them
resulted from overheated furnaces.

The largest of the day was that which
completely destroyed the dry goods
store of Johnson Brothers, on Mil-
waukee avenue, containing a loss of
\$60,000. At another fire several fire-
men were injured by falling from icy
ladders and one seriously hurt in a
collision between fire trucks.

BAKED BROTHER IN OVEN

Five-Year-Old Girl Commit 'Horrible
Act While Mother Was Absent.

INFANT COMPLETELY COOKED

LaCrosse, Wis., Jan. 25.—While Mrs.
Edward Smith was chopping wood to-
day, her daughter, five years old,
placed a baby brother in a hot oven,
closed the door and baked the baby to
death before the mother returned.

THIRD WEEK FOR MACHEN.

Government Still Offering Evidence in
Postal Case.

Washington, Jan. 25.—The trial of
August W. Machen, Groff Brothers and
Dr. and Mrs. Lorenz, indicted for con-
spiracy to defraud the government in
connection with the sale of letter box
licenses, entered on its third week
today. Today's testimony related al-
most entirely to the identification of
Machen's signature and initials on
certain letters and reports covering the
postal case.

IN GRASP OF COLD WAVE

SEVERE WEATHER EXPERIENCED
IN MANY DIFFERENT PARTS
OF THE COUNTRY.

NEARLY FIFTY BELOW ZERO

Intense Cold Prevails Throughout the
North and West With No Imme-
diate Relief in Sight.

Milwaukee, Jan. 25.—The temperature
has risen 31 degrees since morning and
tonight shows eight above.

New Richmond reports all
cold weather records in that region
broken today by a temperature of 46
to 48 below zero.

At Manitowish all public schools
closed on account of the cold weather.
Business is at a standstill. Janesville
also reports schools closed.

Low temperature reported from
other points are:

Mondovi 35 to 40 below; Portage,
35 below; Rhinelander, 33 below; Ply-
mouth, 32 below; Plainfield, 28 be-
low; and Waukesha, 25 below.

Nebraska.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 25.—Practically
all Nebraska is experiencing the coldest
weather of the winter and there is
no immediate prospect of a change.

Beginning with fourteen below in Lin-
coln at daylight the highest reached
during the day was six below and to-
night the mercury is slipping down
again, with chances of a new low
record by tomorrow. From all
sections of the state come reports of
the lowest temperature for years, and
much suffering by man and beast.

Iowa.

Sioux City, Ia., Jan. 25.—No relief
from the cold wave in this section.
Twenty below was the minimum to-
day.

Marshalltown, Ia., Jan. 25.—Severe
weather prevails in central Iowa.
Thermometers show 22 below zero.
Railroad traffic is impeded.

TAFT ARRIVES WEDNESDAY.

Arrangements Being Made for Trans-
fer of Office.

Washington, Jan. 25.—Preparations
are making at the war department for
the transfer of the secretary's office
from Taft to Taft. The new secretary
is expected Wednesday afternoon.
Secretary Root has issued cards for a
large reception Friday evening in
honor of his successor.

Pay Star Routes Monthly.
Washington, Jan. 25.—To avoid long
delay in payments to contractors for
performing star route mail service
throughout the country, the postoffice
department is arranging to make
monthly payments instead of quarterly
for the star route service. The
change will go into effect first in
Iowa and Connecticut.

LOST IN STORM

Miss Ellen V. Robertson, a Trained
Nurse, Disappears at Monticello
and Probably Frozen.

SEARCHERS OUT ALL NIGHT.

No Trace of Her Found Up to 3 a.
M. Tuesday.

Monticello, Jan. 25.—Special to The
Herald—Miss Ellen V. Robertson, a
trained nurse, has been lost in the
storm in this city and about 200 men
are out searching for her. It is feared
that she has perished.

Miss Robertson was in Decatur visit-
ing her friend, Miss Lida Dilatush,
and came to Monticello to nurse
Louis Burgess, who has been ill. She
is a trained nurse and lives in one of
the large cities, but little else is known
of her.

She was last seen about 3:30 p. m.
when she said that she was very nervous
and would consult a physician. She
feared that she could not continue
nursing Mr. Burgess because she felt
so badly.

The young woman went to the office
of Dr. Knott and as she was going up
the stairway to his office she fell. The
doctor bathed the bruises on her face
received by the fall and gave her medi-
cine. He says she was not badly hurt.

About midnight the nurse was seen
wandering about in the southwest
part of the city. She acted strangely
and some persons noticed her. That
is the last time she was seen alive.

When the nurse was missed an in-
vestigation was made and it was
learned that the young woman had
not left the city on any train and she
was not at either of the hotels.

The fire whistle was sounded and
the citizens called together and vol-
unteers were asked to make a search.
Frank Dilatush led the searching party
which was divided up into several
gangs and the city and country sur-
rounding is being searched, but at 3
a. m. no trace of the missing woman
was found. She has surely perished
in the terrible storm unless some one
has sheltered her and that is not
thought possible as everyone in the
city knows about it.

The lights are out and the searching
cannot be very thorough, but it will
be kept up until the woman is found.

Bonsapil Champions.

Minneapolis, Jan. 25.—R. H. Dunbar
Rink of this city today won the cham-
pionship of Northwestern Bonsapil
by defeating I. Pihladi, of Winnipeg,
by a score of 12 to 11. This victory
gave Dunbar 16 victories to the Win-
nipeg's.

Authorize Bridges.

Washington, Jan. 25.—The senate
passed bills authorizing the construc-
tion of a bridge across the Mississippi
river at St. Louis and a railroad bridge
across the river at St. Louis.

PERSONALS.

Mrs. F. H. Bachman has returned
home from Chicago.

Frank Leavenworth Jr., left yester-
day for Springfield, Ark., where he will
visit with relatives for a time.

Henry Drobisch has gone to Danville
and Chicago on a business visit.

Mrs. G. Souders has joined her hus-
band here and they will make their
home on North Clinton street.

T. J. Daves of Longmont, Col., is in
Decatur to visit his brother, J. W.
Daves.

Mrs. S. A. Klenner is visiting in
Toledo.

Mrs. Emma Kaenar has gone to To-
ledo to visit friends.

NEW WOODMAN CAMP.

Installed at Taylorville Last Evening
By Decatur Men.

A new Woodman camp was installed
at Taylorville last night. It will be
known as Taylorville Camp No. 9916.
M. W. of A. There were about thirty
candidates initiated and officers were
elected and installed.

The new lodge was organized by
J. S. Lewis assisted by Mr. Little, both
of Taylorville.

The officers of all of the camps in
Decatur and the degree team of East-
ern Star camp attended.

The train due to leave Taylorville at
11:42 was reported four hours late at
2 o'clock this morning.

COLLISION IN THE YARDS

Switch and Road Engine Came To-
gether at Morgan Street.

About 11 o'clock a switch engine and
a road engine came together. The
switch engine came out of a cut-off
track and bumped into the road engine.
The damage was not great and no one
was injured. The accident was due
to the fact that the clouds of steam made
it impossible for the men to see. The
wreck crew was called out to assist in
clearing the track on account of the
main line being blocked.

BURNS' BIRTHDAY

The Scots of Decatur Pay Tribute To
Their Favorite Bard.

MET WITH D. PATTERSON.

Tempting Dinner Followed By Appro-
priate Program.

The anniversary of the birth of
Robert Burns was celebrated Monday
night by an entertainment given by
David Patterson at his home, 932 North
Church street. There were about sev-
enty persons present and they were all
of friends of Scotch descent.

It has been a sort of custom with
the Scotch people in Decatur and vic-
inity to meet once a year and this
year they were the guests of Mr. Pat-
terson. The entertainment
consisted of a dinner, a program of
songs and this was followed by a long
program of speeches, songs and recita-
tions, all appropriate to the occasion.

The dinner was a very elaborate af-
fair and was served under the direc-
tion of Mrs. Garrett. The menu was
as follows:

Scotch Seams and Oatcake
Roast Turkey with Dressing
Mashed Potatoes Sweet Potatoes Peas
Cranberry Jelly Pickles Olives
Chicken Salad

Ice Cream Confections
Fruit

The house was handsomely decorated
for the occasion and the decorations
and the rooms were further adorned
with Scotch plaids and other orna-
mentations suggestive of the Scotch.
Pictures of Burns and his home and
country were hung on the walls.

The program of speeches, songs and
recitations was as follows:

"Robert Burns"—Rev. Walter Ait-
ken of Logan county.
Song—"John McCallister."
"Epistle to the Weavers"—Alexan-
der McIntosh.

"Scotland and Its People"—George
Johnston.
Address—Hon. J. M. Taylor of Tay-
lorville.

Address—Rev. W. H. Penhallegon.
Recitation—"By Little Girls."
Reading—"Mrs. Effie R. Kennedy."
Recitation—"David Patterson and
Mrs. Vetter."

Song—"Mrs. James Wilson."
Recitation—"David Patterson."
"Epistle to a Young Friend"—George
Johnston.

Recitation—"To a Mouse"—George
Johnston.
Address—Rev. S. H. Bowyer.
Song—"John McCallister."
"Longfellow's Tribute to Burns"—
George Johnston.

"Auld Lang Syne" by the party.

The guests were all persons of
Scotch descent or persons who were
born in Scotland. Among those of
Decatur who were in the party were
Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Bohon, Mr. and
Mrs. W. B. Mann, Rev. and Mrs. S. H.
Bowyer, Alexander McIntosh, Rev. W.
H. Penhallegon, Attorney and Mrs. A.
G. Weber, Mrs. Effie R. Kennedy and
daughter, John Walker, John McCall-
ister, R. A. Wilson, David White and
Mr. Aitken.

Among the guests from Logan county
were Rev. Aitken, Perry, Steifer and
wife, George Hobbs, David Currie,
George Richardson and wife.

Those from Springfield were Mrs.
Mary Pickens, John Wright and Miss
Mary Wright and from Taylorville
were the Hon. Mr. Taylor and daugh-
ter.

The Austin township guests were
John J. Johnston and wife, George
Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson,
S. Ritchie and wife, David Wilson, Mr.
and Mrs. Benjamin Barry.

From Illinois the guest were
James and Thomas Johnston and
Thomas Wright and wife and daugh-
ter.

TWO HUNDRED MINERS DIE

Entombed in Harwick Shaft at Cheswick,
Pa., as Result of a Terrific Explosion
Monday Morning

FUTILE EFFORTS TO RESCUE THEM

Only One Man Has Been Taken
Out Alive

ONE RESCUER KILLED

No Hope Held Out For the Many
Unfortunates

Pittsburg, Jan. 25.—Nearly two hun-
dred men have been entombed by an
explosion in the Harwick mine of the
Allegheny Coal Company at Cheswick.
General Manager Scheets gives little
hope that many of the men will be
brought out to the surface.

The explosion occurred at 8:30 this
morning at the bottom of one of the
shafts, presumably caused by fire
damp. It was 4 o'clock this afternoon
before it was possible to make the first
attempt at rescue. Two men tried to
get into the mine by way of the stairs
through the air shaft, but were finally
driven back by the foul air.

Threw Out Two Cages.
The main shaft into the mine, 220
feet deep, was made useless by the ex-
plosion which buried both cages, one
of which was within 30 feet of the
bottom of the shaft, through the tipple,
30 feet above the surface.

Attempts at Rescue.
Shortly after 5 o'clock a temporary
rigging was put in place over the
mouth of the main shaft and a bucket
carrying Selwyn M. Taylor, mining en-
gineer, and J. M. Rayburn, was lowered
into the shaft. There was a silence
of fully 40 minutes after the cage
reached bottom. Then came the sum-
mons to haul up. When the cage
reached the top Rayburn was there
and with him was Adolph Gorgie, a
miner, still alive but gasping for
breath and evidently seriously injured.
Again the cage went down and this
time it carried Ed Taylor, an assistant
of Selwyn Taylor and also Robert
North and J. McCann, who had made
the first attempt.

Sorrowful Scenes.
The village of Harwick that sur-
rounds the mine workings was horri-
fied all day. The wives and rela-
tives of the entombed men have
crowded about the entrance pit, be-
seeching for news of their loved ones
below.

Doctors have been summoned from
the surrounding towns and also from
Pittsburg. Manager Scheets said to-
night to the Associated Press that the
explosion was so terrific that both
cages were blown from the shaft, one
a distance of over 200 feet. He also
said there are at least 150 men in the
mine

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NOT
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UNTIL YOUR WHOLE
SYSTEM IS AFFECTED
BY DISEASE.

MY TREATMENT CURES TO STAY CURED.

Nervous Weakness, Pains in Back and Limbs, Rheumatism, Kidney and Stomach Troubles, Varicocele, Loss of Strength, and all the effects of wasted force in Men and Women.

What's the use of dragging your legs about like a wooden man? Feel like a man of spirit! Away with the pains and aches! Off with this wretched feeling as if you were 70 years old and had one foot in the grave! Ginger up! Feel young and full glee. That's the way a man ought to feel. Come and let me put life into your nerves; let me give you a new supply of youthful energy. Let me make you feel like throwing your chest out and your head up and saying to yourself, "TM A MAN! Let me take you back that old feeling of youthful fire, vim and courage. I can do it, so that in two months you will wonder that you ever felt so slow and poky as you do now. Act today. Life is sweet, so enjoy every minute.

Show me the man who would not be a better man than he is. It matters not how the rocks and shoals of life have worn the edge off the spirit of joyousness, have dulled the enthusiasm of youth, and left the nerves less vigorous, the eyes less bright, the step less springy, the mind less forceful, and the general vitality less powerful than they ought to be at your age, you want to be strong.

Hard work wears, worry, disappointment and the other cares of life drain away the vim and snap of perfect vitality. My treatment restores them. It makes men feel young; it renews the fire of youth, the spice of life.

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No. 1. 80 acres, 20 acres in cultivation, 20 acres cleared, 33 miles to good town, plenty of good water. Price \$1,200.

No. 2. 320 acres all in the woods, good timber and close to a good road town. Price \$13.50 per acre.

No. 3. 30 acres all in cultivation, good house and good barn, 1 mile to good school and 4 miles to good town. Price \$2,250.

No. 4. 800 acres, 100 acres in cultivation, house and barn, good water, close to good school, 320 acres, some out houses, good water, close to good school, 43 miles to a business town. Price, whole tract, \$16.00 per acre. This bargain.

No. 5. 400 acres all in cultivation, good houses and barns, good water, house and stock road spur on railroad in the field, good roads to town and 2 miles. Price \$25.00 per acre

No. 6. 200 acres all in cultivation, but 20 acres, and it is in woods, good house and barn, good orchard, 1 mile to good school, plenty of water and close to town. Price \$35.00 per acre.

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Catherine Capron. He moved to De-
Witt county in 1869 and about four
years ago he moved to this city.

Mr. Parlier had eight children, four of whom are now living. They are Charles of this city, Mrs. Frank Hubbell of Wapella, Mrs. J. T. Downing of Wapella, and Maude of the city. Mr. Parlier was born 77 years old. The funeral will be held at 10:30 o'clock Saturday morning from the home. Rev. Canady of the Methodist church, of which Mr. Parlier was a member, will conduct the services.

W. D. Duce received a telegram today informing him of the death of his son, Curtis, who went to Pueblo, Colo., about ten days ago for his

Her father, Captain Low, emigrated from New Jersey with his family in 1818 to Ohio, settling in Haddonfield where Mrs. Woolley's girlhood was spent, and the greater part of her life has been passed in this town.

The body will arrive in this city Sunday and the funeral will be held here. Rev. Father Dooling of the Catholic church will conduct the services.

The First Presbyterian church of this city which has just been erected at an expense of \$10,000, will be dedicated Sunday. Rev. W. A. Hunter, of Indianapolls, who was formerly a minister here, is the dedicatory pastor.

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Democrats allude to the Hearst boom as the "yellow peril."

Col. Oglesby has a fight on his hands over in Logan.

The "Iowa Idea" in its last analysis is democratic free trade.

Tom Johnson will visit Europe. It is sincerely hoped he may get a new idea also.

The best thing about January is that it is considerably over half gone into eternity.

The Macon county republican committee will not rush the preliminaries of the primaries.

One of the sad things about February is all the "rot" about the groundhog and the weather.

The Iowa Idea vs. Stand Pat is the title of a little case over in Hawkeyedom.

Those few days of slush and rain will be forgiven, dear January, on certain conditions of reform.

The Chicago theaters would enjoy a little of the "open door" policy. So would the victims of the Iroquois have done on that day of fate.

Democratic papers all over the country are enthusiastic over Gov. Cummins' revised edition of the "Iowa Idea."

Speaking of Hearst for the democratic nomination was like shaking a yellow rag in Gorman's face. That is why he took the convention to St. Louis.

Senator Smoot should plead that when he committed polygamy he had not yet been sworn in as senator. He can cite the Dietrich case as a precedent.

Bryan appears to have come back from Europe not to bring peace to his party, but a sword. He at once exits the Kansas City platform and prepares to do battle for it.

This country might as well get all it needs in the Panama treaty while it is about it. The Isthmian republic will be only too glad to grant anything Uncle Sam wants.

The country will be consumed with delight to know that Jimmie H. Eckles is for Cleveland. Perhaps Jimmie would like his old job back again.

The country is wondering what Jerry Simpson will do with the new pair of socks recently presented him. He might wear them in organizing Hearst clubs.

Young John D. Rockefeller recently told that famous Sunday school class of his that the world despises a quitter. To this Dr. Harper, of the University of Chicago, responded a lusty "Amen."

Only five months from today until the nomination of Roosevelt and (name to be supplied at Chicago), as the national republican ticket Platform—Sound public policy and progress.

There are enough congressmen who dislike the civil service law to kill it but they are not brave enough to do it when the years and nays are called. Public sentiment makes cowards of them all.

The Globe-Democrat sagely observes that "When Colombia undertook to kill the goose that laid the golden eggs she made the mortifying discovery that it was not a goose." At least not goose enough to be bled by Colombia.

Next Wednesday the republican hosts will assemble at Springfield to talk over a few things. It is called a love feast, but the reason for this is not very conspicuous. A talking match would be more in harmony with the occasion.

In 1896 Bryan stood on the Chicago platform. McKinley occupied a St. Louis structure. This year the thing is exactly reversed. It will be queer to hear Bryan denouncing the Chicago platform.

The Anti-Toxin trust denies raising the price. They will make but one grade now and sell it at the maximum price. Cheap stuff at the high price is to be the program. This is called the death trust.

If seven hours a day are too long for government clerks at Washington some friend should suggest that they can resign and escape the drudgery of six and one-half hours' work and a half hour at lunch.

Senator Morgan has been hearing on Alabama on the Panama question. Morgan's state wants the canal, wants quick and wants Morgan to get out the way. This is the most effective argument yet presented to the long-

winded southern senator.

Should the line up prove to be Hearst and Roosevelt the republicans who have wanted a quiet, conservative man would certainly be charmed with the president. Hearst's Texas Steer campaign would make the strenuous Roosevelt look like ice-wagon Harrison.

The Missouri Press Association is doing its spring housecleaning a little early. Former Lieut. Gov. Lee and I. L. Page were this week expelled because of their boodling in the legislature. Newspaper men advocate purity in public affairs and do not tolerate corruption in their membership.

When the price of eggs and poultry are considered the wonder is that every farmer does not go into the chicken and turkey business. There are millions in it. The egg product of the United States is equal in value to almost any other farm interest. Raise chickens.

It is interesting to hear some of the old and substantial democrats of Decatur who lived through the Bryan malaria and still regard themselves as faithful to the old party comment on the possibility of the nomination of Hearst. In such a case the exodus to McKinley in 1896 and 1900 would only be a minor incident compared to the stampede to Roosevelt.

Gov. Cummins, of Iowa, wants to be vice president. He is taking a queer course to achieve his end. He advocates free trade and makes denunciations in Iowa and then is foolish enough to think he may be put on the ticket to save the state. He might be of service to the democrats as he stands on their platform. The "Iowa Idea" is a democratic idea.

The Rock Island county grand jury has indicted J. W. Warr, the leading reformer of that community for embezzlement. His shortage is placed at \$100,000. Warr was a candidate last spring for mayor on the reform ticket. He is in jail in default of bonds. When he gets out he will no doubt favor prison reform.

It is said that Senator Cullom will be unable to attend the republican gathering at Springfield next week. He is in charge of the Panama business in the senate and will be prevented from attending the pow-wow. Of course Uncle Shelby can write a good letter and that will show where his heart is. There is no danger of the occasion being short on talk even if the senior senator should fail to be there.

The time of year for hard roads agitation is at hand. So far during this winter Jupiter Pluvius without any cost or care to commissioners of highways has given a very excellent article of hard roads. A few days last week Jack Frost disappeared and the bottom threatened to drop out and the agitation began. The road question is the Arkansas traveler story over again. When the roads are good nothing needs to be done. When they are bottomless nothing can be done.

Even Senator Tillman can see through a thing sometimes. He aptly describes the attitude of democratic senators toward the Panama treaty by saying that "they are sitting in the senate throwing rocks at the treaty as it passes by." Being no way to stop it they amuse themselves and play peanut politics as Tillman suggests. Some throw mud at the president meantime.

If the democratic national committee wanted to make sure that Hearst would not pack the convention and stampee it they should clear the galleries and go into secret session. It would not do to take the convention to St. Louis merely because that is a quiet old town. A few train loads of Hearst rooters from the wilds of "Missouri" and "Arkansas" could do the business most effectually.

After observing that "March 16 will be Madison's birthday, March 18 Grover Cleveland's birthday, March 15 Andrew Jackson's, and March 19 William J. Bryan's," the Brooklyn Eagle declares: "Great democrats were born in March. That is why in 1905 democracy should March in and republicanism should March 4th!" The Eagle screams like its old gay self once more.

Local candidates are pretty busy just now. The primaries are not many moons away and considerable hay can be made even when the sun does not shine. The principal contest among county candidates promises to be for state's attorney. With Frank Roby, W. E. Radmon, L. H. Shelley and Harry Crea in the running it is an easy guess that there will be more or less doing before the choice is made.

The new-born zeal of the Chicago building inspector is something startling. The fact that the coroner's jury is trying to fix responsibility for the Iroquois horror and that the grand jury is to follow may have something to do with the excessive activity of the man who neglected every duty before the fire. He is closing churches and halls as fast as he comes to them. Pretty soon there will be nothing open but the city hall and the saloons.

Col. John Oglesby is about to resign as private secretary to Gov. Yates. Col. John Oglesby is not about to resign as private secretary to Gov. Yates. This is the latest from Springfield. What of it? Suppose Col. John should conclude to quit the governor and the governor should conclude to let him. There is Charley Timney ready to step in and take the job. Timney is a good man and knows enough diplomacy for two private secretaries.

HEARST'S CANDIDACY.

No one can be surprised in hearing about an "old time democrat's" disgust when he visited Washington last week and discovered that the Hearst candidacy had become formidable enough to worry many of the leaders of the democratic party. His chagrin was profound. The mere fact, he said, that such a thing could be possible made him want to leave the party never to return. It made him sick in going the rounds of the hotels to hear no one talking about Richard Olney or George Gray, while everyone seemed to be discussing the "yellow peril" embodied both journalistically and politically in William H. Hearst. It is enough to make a sensible democrat sick—very sick.—Springfield Republican.

A \$300 HEN.

An exchange tells the story of a hen which has brought to the cause of charity over \$300 already. The Iowa Presbyterian synod recently voted to build a hospital at Waterloo and set about canvassing for funds. Little Maude Ballou, an orphan girl, 9 years old, undertook to aid the movement. She lives with her uncle, who is slowly dying of consumption, and her foster mother washes to support the family. Maude had a pet hen and it was about all the possessions she did have, but she sold it for 25 cents and carried the money to the headquarters of the hospital fund. Hearing the story, a local merchant rebought the hen, paying \$3 for it. The local lodge of Brotherhood of Trainmen gave \$25 for it, and other lodges repurchased it at the same price. On Sunday the pastor of the Presbyterian church had the hen placed in his pulpit and preached a strong sermon on the self-sacrifice of the little girl. The church congregation bought the hen for \$60, and now an eastern commission house has made an offer for the bird, desiring to exhibit it as the highest bit of poultry ever sold.

It is a misfortune that the present grand jury found it necessary to adjourn over until next week. So far it has been one of the most efficient in the history of Macon county. At one time it looked as though it would break all records for brevity of session. It costs the county about \$50 per day to run a grand jury and this is no small item in the present condition of the county treasury. There has been a marvelous reform since the Herald took up the record of the 42-day session a couple of years ago, and compared it with other Central Illinois counties. There should be no sparing of criminals, but it is easy to fritter away time in investigating trivial matters during the dull season.

The delay in completing the tax books is solely due to the state board of equalization. The county clerk and his efficient force of assistants have been working day and night since receiving the tax rate from Springfield. The time for tax paying will be shorter but really it will make little difference to the tax payers. It will, however, put additional burdens on the collectors as they must rush business from the time they get the books. The legislature ought to amend the law so that the state board of equalization would be compelled to complete its work by a given time. Possibly if the members were put on salaries instead of a per diem it would hasten matters perceptibly.

Peoria wants the state republican convention, Springfield, of course, wants it, too. Outside of these there are no other candidates. Both places are well equipped for such a meeting with ample hotel and railroad facilities. Each has a large auditorium suitable for this great gathering. At Springfield in addition to the hall of the house of representatives, where conventions have usually been held, there is the Arsenal built by state money and donated to Springfield. On the other hand Peoria's Coliseum is a spacious and comfortable building erected by the people of that city without asking the bounty of the state. Four years ago the convention went to Peoria and Gov. Yates was nominated there. Possibly the Peoria mascot may lead the Yates forces to prefer the Bull City again.

It is now said that Colombia will pocketeer insults and quiet down. The bravery of Colombians is so well known, so they say, that it is not necessary to get up a war with Uncle Sam and look him within a quarter of an inch of his life just to prove that they are not afraid of anybody. This is extremely kind in our South American neighbor. If they had exercised a fraction of this discretion in dealing with the canal question Panama would not have rebelled and all would now be serene. Colombia has made a she jackass of herself and will have abundant time to repent of her folly.

So far as the evidence goes there is but one valid objection to Apostle Smoot holding his seat in the United States senate. That is that he is a Mormon. There is no Mormon who holds tenaciously the faith handed down by Joe Smith who is loyal to his country. Smoot is one of the 12 apostles of Mormonism. Hence, he can not give his first allegiance to his government. He is a traitor and should be ousted from the senate. Notice should be served on this cult which makes church first and country second that it is useless for them to expect to be allowed to help make laws for people who believe in a free government and the home.

THE SOUTH AND THE CANAL.

For the south now to reverse its record on the canal is not to play the part

of sectional wisdom, good patriotism, or even good politics. It is not even the part of political expediency, for there is no party issue to be made from it. Panama is free, and if there are any just grounds on which to criticize the president, such criticism can not make the new republic a part of Colombia again. What has been done has been done, and to defeat the treaty now can not undo it. It is the Median prerogative of accomplishments to be unalterable.—Atlanta Journal.

A young man in Chicago was out of a job. He placed a big card around his neck, saying, "I want work." He stood on the street corner for a few hours. He was engaged as a dishwasher by a man who wanted a worker. This was not the most desirable service he could have chosen, but it was infinitely better than idleness. An able and efficient dishwasher is entitled to a standing and a respectability in the community from which the loafer is forever barred. The work habit is the one thing that must be promoted as a corrective of most of the social disorders.

The New York World says that Colonel William Ham Lewis, now of Chicago, where the soot has turned the pink of his whiskers to a near-Titan, met Perry Heath in the lobby of the Willard Hotel last evening. With that graceful and airy persiflage for which the colonel is famous he stretched out both hands and said, "Hello, you rascal!"

Not content with looking daggers at Jim Ham, Heath looked outlasses, cleavers, broadswords, buzz-saws, and battleaxes, and the temperature fell so rapidly that the onyx pillars cracked.

A society scrap is in progress at Washington. The momentous question involved is whether the members of the United States supreme court shall go to dinner before the diplomatic corps of vice versa. The "Turren" folks are tenacious. So are the judges or as it is rather surmised, their wives and daughters. This is a great question and has served to enliven many a dull winter at the national capital.

There are some people silly enough to announce that if Mark Hanna should become a candidate for president that there is danger that the people of Illinois will rise up and make Speaker Cannon run against him. He would have to be bucked and gagged. Uncle Joe likes his present job and is not going to be enticed away from it by any old vice presidency or wild goose chase after a presidential nomination.

Senator Hanna is having the time of his life. On one side he is trying to dodge the grip. On the other he is busy keeping out of the way of the presidential boom fostered by the democrats and J. P. Morgan, of the ship trust, James J. Hill of the railroad merger and other disgruntled Wall street stock jobbers. Uncle Mark is a pretty resourceful man and knows more than his fool friends think he does. He will land all right but will know that the pirates have been after him.

The promptness with which the filth was removed from the asphalt streets after the snow would permit is evidence of the continued efficiency of the city's street cleaning department. Some of the brick streets would be benefitted by a little attention.

FOUND HIS FATHER

Joseph Hurst Who Has Been in Jail Partially Demented Taken Away.

SON LOST TRACK OF HIM

Old Man Wept and Pleaded to be Taken Home.

"I want to go home John take me back home," was the piteous appeal of 300 old Joseph Hurst, demented, and in charge of the sheriff, when he looked up from his chair Saturday afternoon and saw that the man who was visiting his cell was his son whom he had not seen for over a year.

The scene was one of the saddest that has been enacted in jail for a long time.

The old man was taken in charge by the sheriff a week or more ago. It was learned that he resided in Bond county and that he was in the employ of the sheriff of that county telling that the man was here in a demented condition.

Saturday John Hurst, the steward of the almshouse, arrived in the city and went at once to the sheriff's office. He announced that the old man was his father whom he had not seen for over a year and for whom he had been making a search. He asked to be taken immediately to the old man.

The meeting was pathetic. The son was deeply moved when he entered the jail and looked at his father, aged and wrinkled in mind and body. Mr. Hurst being the steward of the almshouse naturally comes in contact with many destitute persons, but when he saw his own father in such a condition he almost broke down.

"Sit still, papa," said the almshouse keeper, "and I will go and make arrangements for our leaving and come back and get you and take you to my home."

"I have not minded much staying here," said the old man as the tears rolled down his face. "This man," indicating the sheriff, "has treated me kindly, and most of all, he keeps me warm."

Arrangements were made for a departure and the son, glad of finding his father, but greatly saddened at his distressed condition, left the city with the father.

The old man had been cared for by relatives in this city, but on account of his weakened mental condition, he

The Beggars and Swindlers

Think Ministers are Easy

Preachers seem to be the favorite marks to which are directed the requests for aid from beggars of all description, from the miserable tramp to the well dressed swindler. The reason of it is probably that the beggars think the preachers are not quite as well up in the world as the business man and perhaps expect them to be more sympathetic and unsuspecting.

Many of the younger ministers are at times victims of the men who live by their wits. Most of the older ministers have been up against the game and are looking out for the stranger who wants a helping hand.

As a matter of fact it does not take a preacher any longer than any one else to learn that he has been bilked out of a \$5 bill and after a few expensive lessons he is as careful as anyone else.

Honest May Suffer.

"The trouble is," said one Decatur minister, "that an honest man who really deserves to be helped may sometimes suffer. He may tell the same story, and not tell it as well, as the swindler who has cost the preacher a few dollars, and consequently the honest but unfortunate fellow who should have received aid, suffers."

Preachers, like any one else, are often approached on the streets by beggars and asked for a nickel, dime or quarter, and in such cases I always try to buy the man a meal or a bed but it is usually the man who makes the chances are he will spend it for a drink if he gets it. I remember one man I helped recently. He insisted that he was hungry and had not eaten for a day. He took him to a restaurant and paid for good meal and left him. I learned the next day that he asked to be given half the meal and half the money I had paid for the food.

But it is not so much the ordinary tramp who wants the price of a drink who calls upon the ministers but the man who has some game to work, wants some indorsement for a book or where he can get several dollars in a fraudulent way.

Dignified Fellow.

One of the Decatur ministers who has a study that is available tells some interesting stories about the beggars of different kinds he meets in his everyday life.

"I remember one fellow," the minister said, "who amused me greatly. He was a big fine-looking, well dressed, dignified man. He came to church Sunday morning and sat in a front seat and appeared greatly interested. On my prayer for the poor he turned to me and said it was the best he had heard of and he had enjoyed everything that had taken place. He came again at night and was quite as generous in his prayer. He seemed to be a good fellow and I was glad to hear of him. I called upon him the next morning and he said he was a minister in the name of all that is good to give him enough money to tide him over the temptations and save him from again sinking back into the life of a thief, to which position he will be forced unless aided at once."

This is a strong appeal and when made by a smooth fellow who knows how to talk and play on one's sympathy it often works.

Human Wreck.

"When a preacher gives money to any of the professional swindlers and afterward finds he has been fooled he feels provoked and disgusted. But there is a different feeling when he meets one class of beggars, the man who has

once been something in the world and who has lost everything that a man ought to have. Human wrecks who have sunk to the very lowest depths and onto who have seen good days. Such meetings are sad, one can not help but pity such beggars. I remember one who came to my office. He was an exceedingly brilliant fellow. He could read the Greek testament as readily as I can read English. He knew all about modern and ancient history, all about the sciences and could talk about literature. He had nothing on earth but a little Latin book, an old volume of some value, and this he offered to sell for the price of a drink. He simply wanted money for more liquor and did not hesitate to say so."

Some are Clever.

Some of these swindlers and beggars are clever. They will go to the trouble of learning the names of many of the ministers of the same denomination in other cities and quote them. They can change their religion in the wink of an eye. They must always belong to the same church as the minister upon whom they call or else their parents belong and they attended the Sunday school when they were younger.

Till He Gets Home.

"There is one class," said the minister who has met them all, "who is hard up and wants a few dollars in order to get back to his home or friends. He generally wants enough for his supper and the fare to Chicago. I do not know why they always select Chicago as the place to which they want to go. I suppose because the fare to that city is the sum which makes a nice easy touch. This fellow is generally just out of the hospital or else he was robbed on the train."

He will tell about his own pastor and how his father is an officer in the army and he has a fine home in the city. He said he had come to the city to get his farm machinery repaired and in his haste he did not bring any money. He needed \$15 to pay for the repair work and he wanted the pastor to loan it to him until he came to the city the next day. He was very anxious to get back to the farm and the minister gave up the \$15 and never saw it again.

Strange Welsh Prophecy.

An exciting time was alleged to have occurred on Friday last, has caused an immense sensation in Bethesda, says the Liverpool Post. On that day, while a woman was washing her 3-month-old child, so the story goes, she was thunderstruck to hear the baby say, "Blyddyn o nadwy fydd y fwyddyn nesaf marn," which roughly translated, means, "Next year will be a terrible year, mother!" In her astonishment and terror the mother laid the child down and ran to a neighbor's house, and told a woman there of the occurrence. The woman at once ran into the house and, picking the child up, soothed and caressed it awhile, and then, half playfully, half in earnest she said to the child, "Did you tell your mother that next year would be a terrible year?" To her unbounded astonishment the child replied "Yes" and fell back dead. The child was buried on Saturday afternoon in the presence of large crowds, who discussed the story and are spreading it far and wide.

President Roosevelt avoids accepting valuable presents. He does not include the gratuitous advice that is showered on him as coming under this head.

—Washington Star

NEARBY TOWNS

LOVINGTON.

Mrs. Matt Morland, who has been sick for over a year, died on the 19th. Her funeral was conducted by Rev. J. P. Edgar at the Methodist church. She leaves the husband, four boys, an aged mother, three brothers and two sisters.

Jesse Keeling, a brother of Benjamin Keeling, whose death was reported in last week's issue, is now very low with typhoid the same disease his brother died with.

Burglars broke into the Wabash depot on Wednesday night, but found no money.

Drs. Herenal Donovan of Oakley and O. P. Donovan of Casser visited their father and mother this week. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Donovan.

Miss Eva Potts of this place has been employed to teach the remainder of the year's term of school in the Bethany public school.

Thomas Magee goes to Kansas City on Saturday to enter into business with a clothing firm.

Dr. A. M. Kile is in Chicago attending a dental institute this week.

Mr. Cook of Pana is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Kile.

The revival meetings at the Methodist church continues with good interest. There are several conversions up to date and it is likely they will continue another week after next Sunday. Rev. Tull of Sullivan will assist in them next week.

The Reporter is to place a new Labcock Standard cylinder press in their press room soon and contemplates enlarging the local paper.

CERRO GORDO.

The Fraternal Army of Loyal Americans elected officers on 15.

Moham Frydenger is visiting in Moweaqua.

Olle Hurst and wife of Decatur spent Sunday with the former's mother, Coleman Adams of Decatur was here on business Thursday.

Frank Wood and Richard Moore of Decatur visited friends here Sunday. O. B. Hurd of Seattle, Wash., arrived here Thursday morning. He was called on account of the illness of his mother, Antonio T. Hess left Tuesday for San Antonio, Tex.

Mrs. T. J. Wimmer was in Springfield last week.

J. E. Smith and wife are visiting relatives near Clinton.

Warrior W. Monticello was a business visitor Wednesday, Jan. 22.

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Guardians and Prospective Shoe Buyers

We draw your attention to these facts, "Time and tide wait for no man," and you need shoes. If not now, for future use. It is the part of wisdom and economy to go to the GREAT ADJUSTMENT SALE of the

F. H. Cole Shoe Co.

And buy all the shoes you may need for a year to come, and buy now, for this sale will end Saturday, Jan. 30.

Only five days more of this sale. Every pair of shoes in the house marked down. **REBBER GOODS ALMOST GIVEN AWAY.** You need Arctics, Alaskas, Felt Boots, Leggings. Buy now! Take advantage of these **LOW PRICES!**

Women's Alaskas, small sizes only and run narrow or would not be here in the basket, at	15c
Women's Rubbers, a few old ones, small sizes and run narrow, in basket, at	5c
Women's Alaskas—fine cloth dress, Rhode Island make, all sizes, for the price of rubbers, at	49c
Women's Buckle Arctics, first quality, Woonsocket brand, \$1.00 values, only	69c
Women's Buckle fine Dress Arctics, Rhode Island make, nice ones—\$1 grade, only	69c
Women's House Slippers, warm lined, the broad toe, easy kind, usually sold at 64c; now	39c
Women's Serge Buckles, warm lined, light, broad, easy house slippers only	23c
Women's Felt Shoes with leather soles and leather pieces on sides, only	59c
Women's Felt Juliettes, fur trimmed, some satin, some velvet. Everything goes, \$1.50, \$1.25 and \$1. values, only	79c
Women's warm lined Button Shoes, broken sizes sold at \$2.50, \$2.00, \$1.50, now, only	98c
Women's Patent Leather Lace Shoes, nice styles, broken sizes, \$2.50	98c
Misses' and Child's Patent Leather Lace Shoes, sizes broken, \$1.75 and \$1.50 values, only	98c
Misses' Button shoes, good values, few sizes only, \$2.00 and \$1.50 grades, only	79c
Women's fine box calf lace, good style perforated vamp, dressy shoe and a good one, regular \$2 value, only	\$1.49
Misses', same as above in low heel, sizes 1 1/2 to 2, \$1.50 value, only	\$1.19
Women's Patent Kid Lace—Booth's Ideal patent kid, Foster's make—Louis heel, very high grade dress boot, full line, \$5 value, only	\$2.85
Women's kangaroo calf lace, with beaver top, warm lined, broad, easy, \$1.50	\$1.14
Special sale on Boys' high-priced Shoes—Box Calf, Velour Calf, Vici, Patent Leather, nearly all sizes, \$2.50 values for	\$1.69
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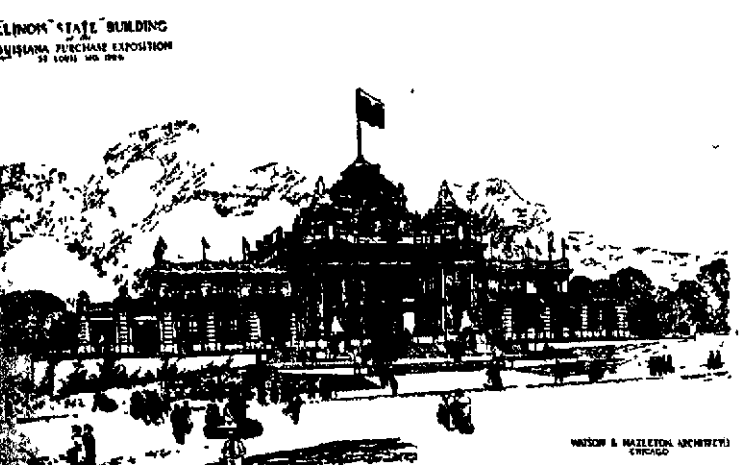
We would ask particular attention to Arctics, Alaskas, etc. We still have good sizes and lots of goods and you should take advantage of these low prices.

FRANK H. COLE SHOE CO.

The Middle Shoe Store.

148 East Main Street.

Illinois State Building at the World's Fair.



The Illinois building is by odds the most conspicuous of the state buildings on the grounds of the Louisiana Exposition at St. Louis. It is a masterpiece of architecture and its location is especially lofty and grand on account of the elevation on which it is built. It has broad, airy verandas

around the first and second stories, and ample conveniences within for the use of the Illinois people attending the fair. The Illinois commissioners pride themselves on having secured the erection of this beautiful structure for a proportionately smaller expenditure of money than any other state building on the grounds has required. The building will be turned over to the commissioners in about thirty days, and will have cost the state about \$75,000 less than it would have cost if the commissioners had consented to let the contract to what appeared to be a combination of contractors, instead of being done by the state itself. The cost of the building, unfurnished, will be less than \$65,000.

Burial at Cerro Gordo.
The body of Mrs. Thomas H. Snyder who died in New York City a couple of days ago will be brought to Cerro Gordo for burial. The body will be sent from New York and the funeral will be held as soon as it arrives.

Mrs. Snyder was the sister of Miss Blanche Shinn of this city and formerly lived here. She was well known among the people of this city.

WE'RE FORTUNATE

Decatur Physicians Get Their Anti-Toxin Cheaper Than Ever Before.

TRUST DOESN'T HURT THEM.

Nearly All Agree That Product Is Lower Priced.

For the past few days a great deal has been said in the papers all over the state in regard to the anti-toxin trust. It has been said that the price of anti-toxin has been raised from 25 to 200 per cent, but this report seems to be unfounded. Some of the druggists were spoken to yesterday about the matter and several of the physicians discussed it. One thing is certain, the price of the anti-toxin has not been raised, then the manufacturers of the article ought to be boycotted in all that they sell with the exception of the anti-toxin. Only three companies in the United States manufacture anti-toxin. These are Park, Davis and Company, of Detroit, Frederick Stearns and Company of Detroit, and H. K. Mulford and Company of Chicago and Philadelphia. Each of these companies manufacture other kinds of pharmaceutical articles. If the physicians were to boycott these goods the companies would almost have to come to the terms of the physicians and know about it.

Anti-Toxin Price Not Raised.
H. C. Burks of the Decatur Drug Company is the Decatur agent for the Park, Davis and Company and he handles a great deal of anti-toxin and is in a good position to know about it. When asked about the raise in prices he stated that the prices had not been raised but on the contrary had been reduced.

Formerly two grades of the anti-toxin had been made, the standard and the concentrated. The only difference in these two was the bulk. One could get the same result from 1000 units of standard that he could get from 100 units of concentrated. But there was such a large bulk of the concentrated to be injected to get the results. The price for the standard was \$1.50 for 1000 units and \$2.25 for 1000 of the concentrated. Most of the physicians used the concentrated, and because it did not take near as much bulk and thus caused less pain to the child upon whom the injection was being made.

At the present time only one grade of the anti-toxin is to be used and that will be the concentrated which was formerly \$2.25 for 1000 units. The price between the standard and the concentrated was split by the manufacturers since they decided to use but one grade. It is now \$2 a reduction of 25 cents on 1000 units. This is the way that Mr. Burks figures it and he is probably about right. Some of the physicians have different ideas.

Dr. E. J. Brown said that he had always used the concentrated (or special) anti-toxin and since the change in the price he would get his anti-toxin for 25 cents less on the 1000 units. He seemed to think that the Chicago people who are making such a row about the anti-toxin matter, are somewhat off.

Dr. H. C. Jones said that he always used the concentrated where he found it necessary and that he would be 25 cents ahead now on each 1000 units. He said that he did not think that the price for the anti-toxin was very high as it took a lot of work to procure it.

Dr. A. F. Wilhelm stated that he thought that the companies were rubbing it into the people and he said that it would be a good idea to boycott them if they were. He said that he thought the best thing to do was to get the anti-toxin at a station in connection with the factory at Champaign would be a good thing.

Dr. C. M. Wood said that he thought the price for anti-toxin was very reasonable considering the trouble that has to be taken to secure it. He said that he had been through the factory of one of the companies and had seen the anti-toxin made from the beginning of the first operation on the horse to the sealing of it in bulbs. Everything had to be scrupulously clean and the stables as neat as a pin. The finest of horses have to be used and the physicians are as careful when operating on them as if they were a human being. All the instruments are perfectly sterilized and the work is very exact. The best of chemists are employed and the greatest care has to be taken in all parts of the work. He said that he thought a station in connection with the factory at Champaign would be a good thing.

Dr. M. V. Lonerger was of the opinion that the companies were getting more than was absolutely necessary for their product and he said that he for one was willing to boycott the firms, especially that of Park, Davis and Company. He said that one of the best things that could be done would be to establish an anti-toxin station at Champaign. He said that a short time ago \$10,000 had been appropriated by the legislature to carry out experimental work at the university and it had been suggested to Governor Yates that the money be applied upon a station to be established for the anti-toxin and he was favorable to the suggestion. A station could be established there and the cost of the anti-toxin could be greatly reduced.

Dr. J. H. Eddy did not express himself strongly either way in regard to the agitation but he said that he thought that the companies made a good profit from the sale of the anti-toxin.

Dr. B. L. Maienthal stated that he had read a great deal about the anti-toxin trouble in Chicago and he said that as far as he could see the papers there had got the wrong idea. He said that he had made a contract to furnish the standard anti-toxin to the city for a specified price and when the change was made in regard to the two grades they notified the city that they would raise the price and give them the concentrated anti-toxin and in that way the trouble started. He thought that the prices were high enough now without any more of a raise.

gard to the prices of the anti-toxin. A great deal of time, care and expense has to be used in order to procure the anti-toxin and considering that the prices are not so exorbitant as some people might think.

The Process of Manufacture.
The anti-toxin is secured from horses. In the first place a poison is injected into a perfectly healthy horse in a small amount. This is repeated every day, the amount being steadily increased for six weeks or two months until the horse is able to stand an amount of poison that would kill twelve ordinary men. The blood is then in the right condition to form the anti-toxin and a quantity of blood is drawn off from the horse, usually about a quart. This is placed in a receptacle and allowed to settle and when the coloring matter has all settled the serum is taken from the top of the vessel. This has to be tested and guinea pigs are used for this purpose. The most expert chemists are employed in the laboratory for the purpose. The blood is probably mean the death of hundreds of people. After the anti-toxin is tested it has to be carefully placed in sterilized bulbs. Then it is ready for the physicians.

The companies are liable to a big loss on their anti-toxin, for the simple reason that after a certain length of time has elapsed after the article has been manufactured the physicians will not use it and it is sent back to the factory and becomes a dead loss to the manufacturers.

The Use of Anti-Toxin.
The anti-toxin is used to cure diphtheria. It is seldom used except in the worst cases and almost always effects a cure. It is seldom that a diphtheria patient dies after having been treated with the anti-toxin. The article is so expensive that the physicians never keep it in stock. When the anti-toxin is to be used the physician as a rule tells the parents of the child that it must be used and they have to get the money. The physicians do not as a rule charge for injecting the anti-toxin. They simply charge for their visit and the parent pays only what the anti-toxin actually costs the doctor. It is this fact that makes it rather hard upon the poor people. The physicians cannot furnish the anti-toxin without a great loss to themselves and any father would procure the money some way and pay for the article if he knew it would save the life of his child. The physicians figure, and rightly perhaps, that a person has to pay enough for the anti-toxin without sticking up the price of the injection on him.

THE BRIDGE COMPANY MET

Increased Capital Stock From \$30,000 to \$50,000 and Elected Their Officers.

THE MEMBERS ENTERTAINED

The annual meeting of the Decatur Bridge Company was held yesterday afternoon for the coming year was elected. The meeting was held at the Decatur hotel where "Dad" Stearns entertained the members of the company. A special table was arranged in the center of the dining room and the members of the company were seated at each place and was laid a pretty souvenir. Host Stearns had a special evening prepared for the members of the company and it was read before the meeting. It was as follows:

May Decatur be a bridge to you
That bears you safe across,
And every span be sure and true
And keep you from all loss.

The verse was signed "The Wish of Dad."

It was decided to increase the capital stock of the company from thirty to fifty thousands of dollars. The officers elected were as follows:
President—T. L. Blackburn.
Vice President—G. A. Caldwell.
Secretary—E. E. Tyler.
Treasurer—W. M. Wood.

Mr. Blackburn was selected for general manager, Mr. Tyler for general manager, Mr. Wood for chief engineer and Mr. Caldwell for superintendent.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

Commissioners.—The highway commissioners held their regular meeting Saturday afternoon, but there was very little business transacted except the allowing of some bills for road labor.

New Store.—Ed Quintez has opened up a handsome little grocery store at the corner of East William and East avenue.

To a Funeral.—Howard Hanthorn left last night for Chicago, having received a message stating that his brother-in-law, R. E. Young, had died suddenly.

Golden Wedding.—Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Garvey of Illinois will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary Tuesday afternoon February 2. A reception will be given and the hours will be from 11 until 5 o'clock.

Y. M. C. A.—The men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. this afternoon will be led by George T. Tucker. There will be special music.

Methodist Supper.—The Ladies' Aid society of the First Methodist church served a chicken pot pie supper at the church last night. The hours of the supper were from 7 o'clock and during that time the tables were comfortably filled and kept the ladies busy. Mrs. Harley Maris was in general charge of the supper.

Recording Secretary.—At a meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary society of the Grace Methodist church Mrs. Grace Brant was selected to fill the office of recording secretary which was made vacant by the death of Mrs. L. W. Kennedy.

Merry Go Round.—The Merry Go Round club held the first meeting of its thirty year history at the home of George Moeller at his home on West William street.

Country Club.—There will be a meeting of the directors of the Country Club Tuesday evening, Feb. 2. At the close of the regular business meeting there will be dancing.

THE MANAGERS AND BUILDERS

HELD BY CHIEF MUSHAM TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR IRROQUOIS THEATER FIRE.

CITES SEVEN VIOLATIONS

Of the Building Ordinances, But Does Not Censure the Building Department On That Account.

Chicago, Jan. 23.—Upon the management and the builders of the Irroquois theater has been placed the responsibility for the fire horror, according to a report rendered to Mayor Harrison by Fire Chief Musham today. The report was prepared by the fire department attorney, Fulkerson, after the examination of nearly 100 witnesses. No criticism is made of the building department, although seven violations of the building ordinances are noted.

Fulkerson concluded that the theater building was not constructed at the time it was opened, that the theater employees did what they could to put the fire out and that doors and exits were generally locked throughout the building.

The grounds cited by the report for placing the responsibility upon the builders and management are similar to the statements already published.

LOWDEN AN EASY WINNER

CARRIED OGLE COUNTY OVER GOVERNOR YATES BY A BIG MAJORITY.

THE GOVERNOR IS SATISFIED

Says That the Statement That He Had No Friends There Is Disproved By the Vote He Received.

Oregon, Ill., Jan. 23.—Special to the Herald—Lowden carried Ogle county over Yates by two to one. The result of the primary election was a complete victory for the Cook county candidate. The returns from the first five townships voting on Friday seemed to indicate that Governor Yates would win in what Lowden claimed as his home county, but the complete returns tonight from the other townships voting today, show conclusively that Lowden was as strong as he claimed to be. His victory was all but overwhelming.

The popular vote of the county shows that Lowden received 3,287 and Yates 1,548. The thirteen delegates to the state convention to which this county is entitled, will be for Lowden. The fight, while resulting in a victory for Lowden, was hotter than his friends had anticipated. Governor Yates and his adherents felt that Lowden had violated his rights when he sent his literature into Morgan county and seemingly made a bid for the delegates from the governor's home county. The result of this was a determination on the part of the governor's friends to fight Lowden on his own grounds and during the greater part of this week Governor Yates has been conducting a vigorous speaking campaign in Ogle with frequent predictions that he stood a good chance of capturing the delegation, a belief that was increased by the returns from the five townships voting Friday which showed a total of 206 for Yates and 172 for Lowden.

Governor Is Satisfied.

Springfield, Jan. 23.—Special to the Herald—Governor Yates was not in the least disturbed tonight on receipt of the returns from Ogle county. On the contrary he expressed himself as entirely satisfied. He said that he had been told that he had no friends in Lowden's county, while the vote showed that he had quite a good many friends there.

MOST OUTRAGEOUS CRIME

Indiana Furnished an Offense That Stands Without Parallel in the Criminal Annals of Country.

LYNCHING FREELY TALKED OF.

Petersburg, Ind., Jan. 23.—LaFayette Dedman, who was shot and killed by a mob of seven men who carried them to the Fairview church, where Dedman was forced to stand in a corner of the auditorium at the point of a revolver while all the men assaulted his wife. The men escaped. An 18-year-old youth named Thomas and a 14-year-old boy named Sumner were apprehended later by Clinton Thomas, father of the first at Fairview, Ill., and returned to Pike county tonight. They are heavily guarded, as threats of lynching have been made. The others have not yet been apprehended.

DID NOT TRY TO CONCEAL HIM

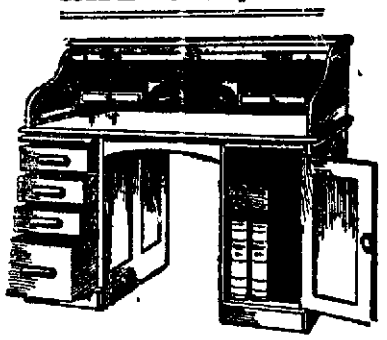
The Korean Prince is a Student at Roanoke College, Salem, Va.

HE OFTEN VISITS WASHINGTON.

Washington, Jan. 23.—The Korean minister tonight authorized the statement that no attempt had been made to conceal the whereabouts of the crown prince, Euiwha. He said the young man is at present, and has been for some time at Roanoke College, Salem, Va., and that recently he had made several visits to this city, always stopping at the legation.

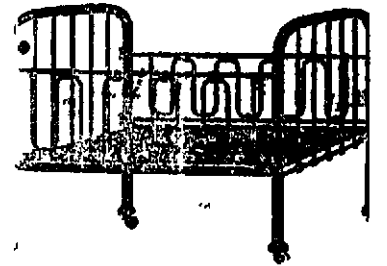
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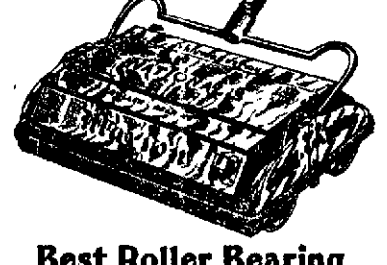
Solid Oak Roll Top Desk
Four feet long, like cut,

\$18



Child's Iron Crib
With Woven Wire Spring, Drop Side, like cut,

\$5.50



Best Roller Bearing Carpet Sweeper
Made like cut,

\$2.75



Roman Stools
Like cut,

98c



Large Size Couch
Steel Bottom, filled with Tow and Cotton, worth \$16.50.

Clearance Sale Price, \$12.50



Sanitary Bed Couch

Clearance Sale Price, \$6.75

Special Prices on Complete Outfits.

Cash or Credit

AKERS & WILSON
332-338 N. Main St.

FIRST C

Boston Egg Hunt For April 1st

DIFFERENCE

Spilled the Sale

Yesterday Max If B. Griffin is the first of the show up in the scene. The figure was made in the five car loads, together by half the deal was limited difference of half figures out \$60 to the prospective the Boston man the first car load, based this season Iowa and went to Anna. He says that who were heavily last year will be overdone and that reason they will on hand. He is season that some some quarters men who usually did not venture. If for every spring and stay as much on even nakes on two of what that sold to the month of April they are going on they are star At present the keeping out of the indifferent to the have eggs that a profit they can make their quota they feel quite the possibility of

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FIRST CAR LOAD

Boston Egg Hunter Gets One Car Load For April Delivery To Griffin & Co.

DIFFERENCE OF HALF A CENT.

Spoiled the Sale of a Lot of Five Car Loads.

Max Atlas sold a car load of eggs to a representative of Griffin & Co., of Boston. He had been in the eastern egg business for some time and was well known in this territory. This morning he was in the city to sell his eggs. He had a car load of eggs and was willing to sell them at a price of 10 cents per dozen. He was, however, not willing to sell them at a price of 9 cents per dozen. The difference of half a cent was the difference between the price he was willing to sell them at and the price he was not willing to sell them at. He was, however, not willing to sell them at a price of 9 cents per dozen. The difference of half a cent was the difference between the price he was willing to sell them at and the price he was not willing to sell them at.

WAS CRIPPLED FOR LIFE

Thrilling Experience of David Beam, a Section Foreman, at Lincoln.

ON REAR END OF A PASSENGER

A special dispatch from Lincoln tells of the thrilling experience of David Beam, who was crippled for life as a result. The dispatch says: David Beam, section foreman for the Chicago & Alton at Broadwell, this morning underwent a thrilling experience. He was on a train when it was struck by a passenger train. The passenger train was traveling at a high rate of speed and did not stop in time. The result was that David Beam was struck on the rear end of his head and was injured. He was taken to the hospital and is now lying in bed. He is expected to be unable to work for some time.

MONUMENT COMMISSION.

Meets in Chicago to Name Successor to General Black.

THE TAX BOOKS FOR DECATUR

Will be Ready Thursday and Collector Seeforth Will Get Busy.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Will be Filed by Wallace Circus at

DAMAGE SUIT

The Wallace Circus wreck, which occurred on the Chicago & Eastern Illinois railroad at Shelbyville last June, will result in a heavy damage suit being filed against the railroad company by the owners of the circus unless a settlement is soon made.

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Judge Johns on the Bench

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The verdict which was returned in the case of Maud Mabey West against the Macon County Telephone company, was opened. The jury gave the plaintiff damages in the sum of \$600.

There were a good many entries made on the dockets as follows Monday.

Chancery.

Eliza A. Montgomery vs. Samuel A. McBrice et al., bill for relief; demurrer to amendment.

George Gumbrell vs. Patrick Daly et al.; chancery; demurrer to bill.

Anthony L. Peltzer vs. Jeremiah Terry et al., chancery, decree pro confesso as to addition of defendant not answering and referred to master.

Florence Butman vs. Thomas E. Butman et al., bill for specific performance and relief. D. C. Corley appointed guardian ad litem for unknown defendant.

Ivan C. Brown vs. Mary A. Barton et al., bill for specific performance; referred to master.

Laura Locer vs. Elmer Locer, divorce, cause heard by court and decree and custody of child awarded the complainant.

Law Docket.

A. T. Risley vs. James M. Miller, trespass on the case on premises, order of reference set aside by agreement and rule to report evidence taken and set back to court. Same order in another case.

Mary A. Ruby vs. Arthur S. Dumont, trespass on the case, leave to the defendant to file special plea; jury waived and to be tried by court by agreement.

Laura A. Montgomery vs. City of Decatur, case, continued by agreement.

J. F. Mattes, administrator, vs. A. W. Wait, appellant, appeal; settled and dismissed at cost of defendant.

Lucy M. Siders, administrator, vs. Central Railroad Co., trespass on the case, continued by agreement.

Christina Bjornstad vs. Maryland Casualty Co., assumpsit, demurrer to special plea and leave to file amended plea by Tuesday.

William Spangler vs. J. I. Case Threshing Co. et al., replevin; motion for leave to supply files.

Spencer & Lehman vs. David White, appellant, appeal; dismissed for non-compliance with rule at cost of appellant and prodecendo awarded.

Deaths Recorded.

Julia M. Pitts to Joseph B. Hinton 7 in J. W. Warren & Co.'s seventh addition to Decatur; \$1500.

Jennie T. Durfee to Jennie E. Durfee lots 1 and 2 in Durfee's resurvey of lots 1, 2 and 3 in block 8 of Western addition to Decatur; \$4500.

Shelley Out of It.

Announces That He Is Not and Will Not Run For State's Attorney.

John C. Lee Denies Rumor.

Jesse Bendure Will Enter the Race for Governor.

The race for the republican nomination for state's attorney has taken on a new phase. It has been accepted as a fact for some time past that F. C. Roby, L. H. Shelley, E. H. Cree, and W. E. Redmon would be candidates for the nomination. Now, however, Mr. Shelley has indefinitely made up his mind not to be a candidate and last night he sent the following card to the Herald for publication, in which he announces that he will not make the fight for the nomination.

Not a Candidate.

To the Decatur Herald:

Inasmuch as I have been repeatedly mentioned in the local press as a candidate for the office of state's attorney, and desiring to disabuse the public mind of that notion, I wish to announce through your paper, to my many friends and the republican voters, that I am not, and will not be, a candidate for that office. While I certainly feel grateful to all who have shown such a kindly regard for my political preferment, and while I sincerely appreciate their solicitations, I am determined that the best interests of my clients, and my desire to continue in private practice demand that I should not enter the contest.

Very Respectfully,

L. H. SHELLEY.

This leaves W. E. Redmon, H. H. Cree and Frank C. Roby the only avowed candidates in the field.

Will Not Run.

The rumor that went the rounds of the politicians on Saturday to the effect that Attorney John C. Lee would be a candidate for the republican nomination for state senator has been completely knocked out by Mr. Lee himself. He says that he has not and will not consider the proposition at all and that he has not the slightest intention of being a candidate for that office.

Jesse Bendure a Candidate.

The fight for the nomination for coroner promises to be a hot one. There are already four men in the field and it is reported that there will be still another. It was said by some of his friends yesterday that Jesse E. Bendure, who was coroner for many years, would come out again for the nomination.

Will make five men who are out for the place. They are Charles E. Dawson who now holds the office, T. C. Buxton, Dr. Will Chetworth, Joseph Dawson and Mr. Bendure.

Headquarters Talk.

Some of the republicans were about the city yesterday looking for suitable rooms to use as warner headquarters. They talked with J. L. Drake, who has charge of the Columbia block and look at the second and third floors at the end of the building. This was one of the Y. M. C. A. rooms when the association was in that building.

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Such a love feast as this will be, has never been known in the history of the party. There has never been a time when conditions have been so clouded and the general situation so complicated.

Every politician is at sea. There is no unfailing sign of the true band wagon. The true band wagon is as likely to carry the band as another. In the four and a half months that the campaign has been in progress it is doubtful that any candidate has made material advance.

The party comes to the noise fest this week to witness the performance of seven candidates for governor, no one of whom has much better show than another for the goal. Each of them enthusiastically will point to his own nomination as a demonstration that he is in the running.

State Central Committee.

The state central committee will meet Tuesday evening to ratify the program for the following day. Each congressional district will have five delegates and its own committee man will select a speaker to represent it. These speakers are to avoid partisanship or factionalism. The candidates for governor, beginning with Yates, will be heard. The two United States senators are to deliver the first places on the program but Senator Cullom will not be here, and it is doubtful if Hopkins comes. Official word from him has not been received. The speaking will commence at 8 o'clock Wednesday morning in the new state arsenal where arrangements have been made to seat 8000 people.

The State Convention.

Wednesday evening the state committee will meet to select a date and place for the state convention. The committee will have little choice of time. The last county convention, that in Cook, will not be held until the first part of May. The national convention is to be held in June. State conventions must have been held thirty days prior to that date, so that Illinois will almost necessarily meet during the week of the fourth or the eleventh of Springfield without question.

The love feast is not expected to bring out any developments. It will be absolutely devoid of results.

Every candidate will maintain two headquarters. Special trains will bring the candidates and their bands. The governor will have the advantage in the matter of crowds, for it is easier to mobilize the state employees and office holders on such an occasion than any other class of politicians.

For the minor places there are not many candidates and so far very little interest is manifested.

Frank L. Smith of Dwight; Charles Selby of Sangamon and John McKenzie of Dan County are candidates for lieutenant-governor.

Dan Hogan of Pulaski county; William Cline of Wayne; M. O. Williamson of Knox, are candidates for secretary of state.

Experience in handling the crowds and directing passengers to the trains made him a valuable man. During recent years his health has not been robust, but he was faithful to the duties of his position and the company that employed him.

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FINAL SUMMONS

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A WAS A WIDELY KNOWN MAN

Funeral Services This Morning—Burial at Peoria

Tracy W. Douglass, who by reason of his position as stationmaster of the Wabash was one of the most widely known men of the city, died at his apartments in the Isaac H. Alexander home on Sunday night at 8.30 o'clock. His death was not unexpected. Last Thursday Mr. Douglass experienced a slight stroke of paralysis and had to leave his duties and return to his home. He remained in bed on Friday, not thinking that the attack was a serious one, but he was again stricken that day and again taken to his home.

It was not until Friday night that his condition became alarming. At that time his wife, reading to him and attending to his needs, took the book and read himself, but he suddenly dropped it, his body became limp and he lapsed into unconsciousness. From that time he was unable to recognize anyone, and the family and friends realized that he was merely a question of time until the end.

The two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Douglass, Mrs. V. T. Tefft and Mrs. L. R. Turner, came from their home in Peoria and were with their father when the end came. Mr. Douglass was 56 years of age. He was born in West Chazy, Clinton county, N. Y., where he was born on August 24, 1848. He was descended from Scotch ancestry and lived in his parents' home until 1875, when he came to Decatur. He was a railroad man. He had a year's service in that section and when the war broke out he enlisted in the 68th New York Volunteers and served with that regiment throughout the war.

When the war was over he returned to Ogdensburg and took a position on the Ogdensburg & Lake Champlain railroad, which he held until 1878, when he came to Decatur and took a position as passenger conductor on the T. & P., making his home in Peoria. He held that position until he came to this city in 1885, where he has since resided.

Mr. Douglass was married to Miss Luthera J. Armstrong, who with her two daughters survive him. Mr. Douglass was a member of the Order of Railway Conductors, Division 79, and also of Dunham post G. A. R.

In 1885 when E. N. Armstrong took charge of the middle division of the Wabash, he brought Mr. Douglass to this city and he was made stationmaster of the new Decatur station. He was a member of the Wabash club and all the railway companies then and proved to be a valuable man in the position, owing to his knowledge of the railroad gained during the long course of years he was a passenger conductor on the Wabash.

Mr. Douglass was stationmaster of the new Wabash station until his death. He had hosts of friends among the railroad men of the country and his position brought him in contact with the public as well as the traveling public as well, so that his acquaintance became a wide one. He was ever attentive to his duties and carefully looked after the interests of the company and of the people.

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THE MARKETS

By Tyler, Harney & Co., 114 East William St., Both "Phone 352.

FINLEY BARRELL LETTER.

Chicago, Jan. 25.—WHEAT.—There has been very heavy selling of long wheat today, some millions by some one interest. Presumably this selling has been by the chief holders of the wheat, and it has caused a break of over 30 in the May. The opening was strong on the very cold weather, on lower console and on small northwest receipts. It was compared with 388 last year. Clearances were 788,000 bu. The primary receipts were 788,000 bu., vs. 1,164,000 bu. There was enough bull news at the outset to advance prices a cent over the Saturday close. It was on the advance that the selling was done. The break was sufficient, an unsettled and good market, less lines of wheat. World's shipments were large, 10,450,000 bu., including large shipments from Russia, Argentina and Australia. On the advance, 2,224,000 bu. The seaboard reported 15 loads. There was some support on the break but not much recovery.

CORN.—The corn market has not been a big one. The crowd was not early on the lower console, the firm cables and the opening advance in wheat. The market in the first half hour sold up 3c. But when the market broke, corn felt the effect. Toward the close there was selling by leading floor traders, Chamberlain, Reed, man and others, and the market closed with a cent advance gone and with the price lower than Saturday. Receipts were 430; estimate 336. The visible increase was 254,000 bu. World's shipments were 3,514,000 bu. On the advance, 2,224,000 bu. The seaboard reported 15 loads. The cash market was 10 to 20 lower. Cables were 10 to 15 up.

OATS.—Oats were firm up to noon; but in the last hour they yielded weak and wheat and corn. The incident was a large buying of May by Wares & Lehigh, 150,000 bu. This house has been a large buyer of May oats for several days. Receipts were 246 cals. estimate for Tuesday 215 cars. The visible cash market was 4c lower. The stock here decreased 80,000 bu. and the stock here increased 9,000 bu. The market at its best early was 3c higher than Saturday; but the close was at a small fractional decline from Saturday.

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Rulers and Royal Families of Russia and Japan

THE HEROIC EXPLOITS OF A GALLANT BOATSWAIN.

There are few more interesting rulers now living than Nicholas II. of Russia and Mutsu Hito of Japan. This would be true even were there no unusual circumstances to call attention to them and the lands of which they are the heads, and it is doubly true since they

and superstitious peoples, the king is looked upon as a sort of divinity, at least with a divine right. All these elements enter into the regard of the Russian for his "father," the czar, and most of them are included in the sentiment of the Jap for the mikado. These feelings exist, whatever the character

the world, at least in potentiality, he is yet foremost among the great rulers in his advocacy of peace. Though in a position that demands display and even ostentation of a certain kind, he is very living to the point of timidity and reticence, and home loving. These contradictions between his situation and

czarina and her conscientious efforts to live up to the duties of her position. Among the aristocracy, however, this early dislike was ascribed to a more immediate and tangible cause, or, to be more precise, two causes. Among the ladies of the Russian nobility the habit of cigarette smoking, or, was, almost universal. This the wife of the new emperor bitterly opposed and issued a court decree that there must be no smoking in her presence or at court functions. It was the dislike for the weed which occasioned the enmity between the czarina and the dowager empress, who is an inveterate smoker, or at least so runs court gossip. The other cause of the lack of love for the emperor on the part of high society was the presence of love on her part for her children. This might have been overlooked, but when she insisted on showing it on all sorts of occasions, putting her duty to her daughters above

Among the people the little grand duchesses are exceedingly popular, and it is probable that not a few of the subjects of the czar regret the Salic law which does not permit a woman to occupy the throne, for it is one of the tragedies of the czar's life that he has no male heir to succeed him. Of course he has the power to order the repeal of the Salic law, but it is not thought that he would care to go to this extreme; so that in event of the non-survival at some future date of the long looked for and prayed for son the czar's only brother, the Grand Duke Michael, will take the throne, or if he should die prior to the present emperor, which is probable, as he is a consumptive, then the Grand Duke Vladimir, the czar's uncle, or his male issue. The emperor of Japan can never be caught in the predicament of his royal cousin of Russia for the reason that the law permits the mikado twelve con-

of his concubines, Mme. Sono Yoshiko. The present emperor, or, as he is more popularly known, the mikado, of Japan is fifty-one years old and is the one hundred and twenty-first of the line. His advent to the throne came after a struggle between the old and new order. To him more than to any other one factor are due the present marvelous progress of the island empire and her rapid assimilation of western ideas and civilization. He is progressive, well educated, though he speaks only in his own tongue, forceful and very ambitious to make his country a power in the world. He is sensible and benevolent, a truly admirable ruler as rulers go. He is interested in literature and the arts and even writes himself, his output being mostly in the line of verse, which he destroys almost as soon as written, a fact which, by the way, may have had something to do with his reputation for being

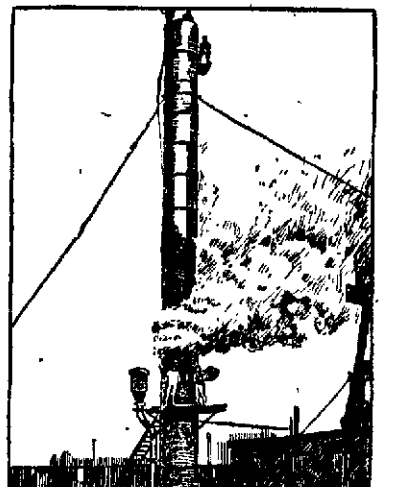
Four times has gallant Patrick Deery, a boatswain of the United States navy, distinguished himself by signal feats of bravery. The fourth instance of daring, for which he was recently awarded a medal by the government, was when he swam to the submarine boat Adder in a gale and attached a line to her.



PATRICK DEERY.

One of the other instances occurred during a hurricane off Samoa. Deery leaped from the Trenton and hauled a hawser ashore, saving a number of lives. A similar act of bravery was performed by him when the old Kearsarge was wrecked off Roncador reef. Boatswain Deery lives in Brooklyn. He was born in Ireland, is forty-five years old and has been twenty-one years in the United States navy.

A HAZARDOUS OCCUPATION.
Few of those who have seen the tall smokestacks in use on our factories are aware that these are frequently constructed while the furnaces below



BUILDING AN AMERICAN FACTORY CHIMNEY.

are in full blast. This apparently impossible feat is performed by having an escape for the smoke at a point far below that at which the men are at work, as shown in the illustration.



THE MIKADO AND HIS FAMILY.

have been brought into the limelight as central figures in a world drama. In the public scrutiny that is thus given them it is being discovered that they are in reality the rulers of their respective empires and, moreover, that they are men of unique personalities, each impressing his individuality upon the history of his time and effecting new and, in the case of Japan, radical departures in the policies of his country. It is difficult for people of the more democratic countries to realize the attitude of the subjects of a monarchy toward their king. It is not alone that he is the head of the government, but in a way that he is the symbol of national unity, the incarnation of the national soul, if such a term may be used. The feeling toward him is therefore of a much deeper and more fundamental type than the merely political. It includes the subject's loyalty to his land, for the king is the government; it possesses a filial quality, for the king in a way is regarded as a father to his people; still more, it is invested with a certain religious phase, for, especially among unenlightened

of the occupant of the throne. He may be hated and yet his office be held in the most profound veneration. The regard extended to the sovereignty, and in most cases to the person, of the ruler also reaches to the entire royal family. Especially does it apply to the queen and the heir apparent. If they have qualities that endear them to the people at all, one or the other and in some cases both of these are often regarded with a closer love than goes out to the king himself, for in his case there exist a certain awe, fear and even conscious or unconscious hatred that are aroused toward those in the possession of power.

It goes without saying that the mere recognition of this sentiment of almost monarch worship does not even by implication defend or uphold it. Without either supporting or condemning, it is yet necessary to take it into account in any intelligent consideration of a people like the Russians or the Japanese.

Though possessed of the most autocratic power, the present czar is very democratic. Though having at his command the greatest military engine of

his character mark him as peculiar not only among the czars, but among royalists generally. He is gentle in demeanor and almost an idealist. It is this quality that has caused him to bring about certain reforms in his empire, among which his attempts to better the conditions of the serfs are the most noteworthy.

While not particularly forceful or marked by great intellectual powers, he is singularly humane and simple, and it is these qualities perhaps that Russia most needs in the present state of her development.

It is these characteristics which are also found in the czarina. In her early training and her inclinations this granddaughter of Queen Victoria, formerly Princess Alix of Hesse, is more German and English than Slav. There was a time when her foreign habits of thought and sympathies were so apparent that she was not popular among the Russians, who are intensely nationalized and distrustful of all things foreign. This unpopularity has almost wholly disappeared, however, owing to the sweet and kindly disposition of the



THE CZAR, CZARINA AND THEIR CHILDREN.

every other consideration, fashionable society was shocked, and for this it has never quite forgiven her.

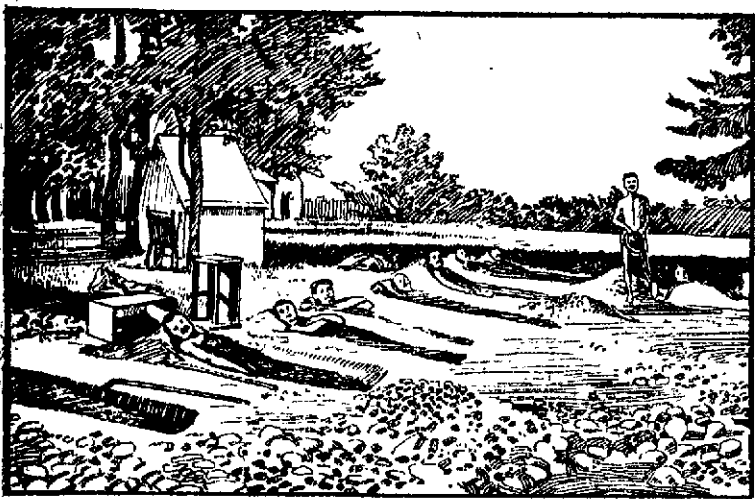
There are four of these daughters, whose bright faces are familiar to the people of St. Petersburg, through the streets of which they are driven daily for every glimpse of sunshine. Notwithstanding the fact that they are grand duchesses, they are even more democratic than their parents and nod and smile at the passersby until corrected and seated by their nurse.

and in case the empress fails to present him an heir, then the son of one of the concubines is made the crown prince. This in fact is the state of the case with the present heir apparent, he being the son of Mme. Yamanawa, one of the royal harem, and not of Empress Haruko, who is childless. This son, Yoshi Hito, was born in 1873 and in 1900 was married to the Princess Sadakho. In addition, the mikado has four other children, all daughters, their mother being another

sensible and benevolent. The empress also writes verse of a very creditable quality, some of it being in almost a socialistic strain. She is said to be brilliant, fond of Europeans and Americans and responsible in no small degree for the emperor's liberal and progressive policy. One of her dearest friends was the late Empress Frederick of Germany, with whom she kept up a constant correspondence during the life of that talented and remarkable woman. CEPHAS J. VENABLE.

Unique Phases of Life From All Over the World, Strange People, Interesting Scenes and Famous Folk

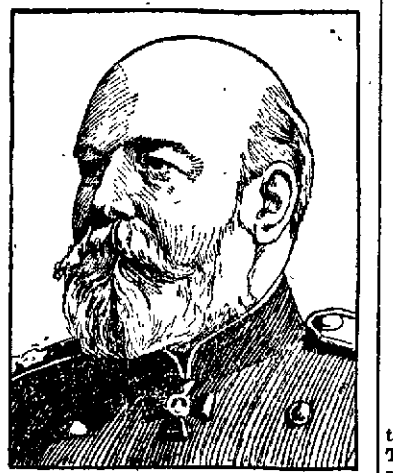
A CURE THAT IS GREWSOMELY SUGGESTIVE.



SLEEPING IN "GRAVES" FOR CONSUMPTION.

A New Jersey physician has a sanitarium for consumptives at which he is using a new and at first sight startling nature cure. This consists in nothing less than placing the patient literally in his "grave." The excavation, of course, is shallow, and the earth covering placed over the patient's body is only a few inches in thickness. Before being "buried" the victim is rubbed from head to foot with moist clay. He is left in his temporary tomb only a few hours, but is required to sleep on of doors on the grass, unless he prefers to sleep in his "grave," in which case he is permitted to do so.

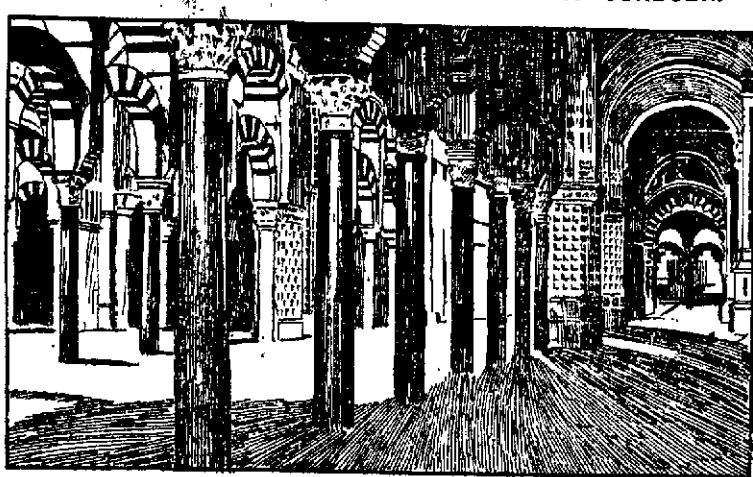
A POPULAR RUSSIAN OFFICIAL.
Not all the officers of the czar of Russia are hated by the people over whom they are set. Prince Galitzin, governor general of the Caucasus, is, perhaps, the most popular official in Russia. At



PRINCE GALITZIN.

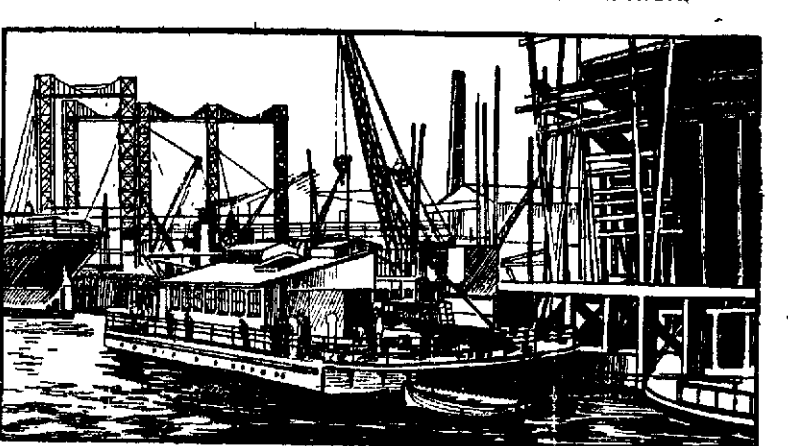
the same time he has the absolute confidence of his imperial master. Despite his great popularity, however, the prince recently very narrowly escaped death at the hands of assassins.

A BEAUTIFUL TEMPLE, THE MEZQUITA AT CORDOBA.



The Mezquita at Cordoba, Spain, which is the finest type in Europe of the true temple of Islam, was built by the Sultan Abdurrahman about 770 A. D. The roof is supported by hundreds of columns of jasper, porphyry, verde and other beautiful stones. The pillars, no two of which are of exactly the same height or diameter, were collected from Constantinople, Carthage and Alexandria when the Mohammedans sacked those cities.

BRITISH FLOATING DOCK FOR SOUTH AFRICA.



A GREAT WORKSHOP ON WATER.

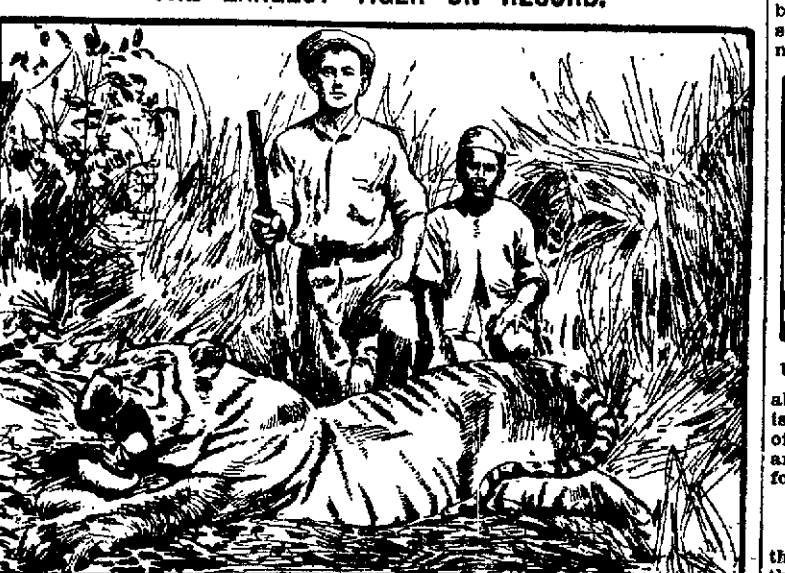
Because of a lack of harbor facilities along the South African coasts the British government employs floating contrivances in place of the ordinary docks. The workshop shown in the illustration, which recently left the Tyne for Durban, Natal, is fitted with forges, anvils, hydraulic hammers and other tools used in ship repairing. The aperture in the roof of the workshop is necessary for the lowering of heavy weights by the great crane above.

AN ELEPHANTINE CHAUFFEUR.



The Berlin circus has long been famed for producing unique attractions. Its latest novelty is the motor

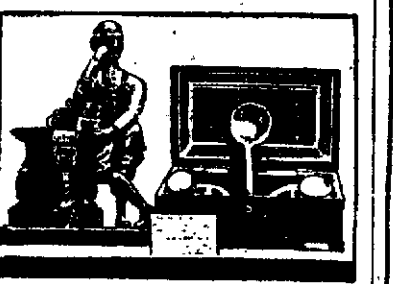
THE LARGEST TIGER ON RECORD.



The accompanying illustration shows the largest tiger that has fallen a victim to the prowess of big game hunters. It was shot by a British hunter in India and boasted a total length of 10 feet 11 1/2 inches.

FROM A TREE PLANTED BY THE BARD OF AVON.

There were recently sold in London a casket and a bust of the great dramatist both of which were made from a mulberry tree planted by Shakespeare himself. The two pieces together brought nearly \$800. The spoon, also shown

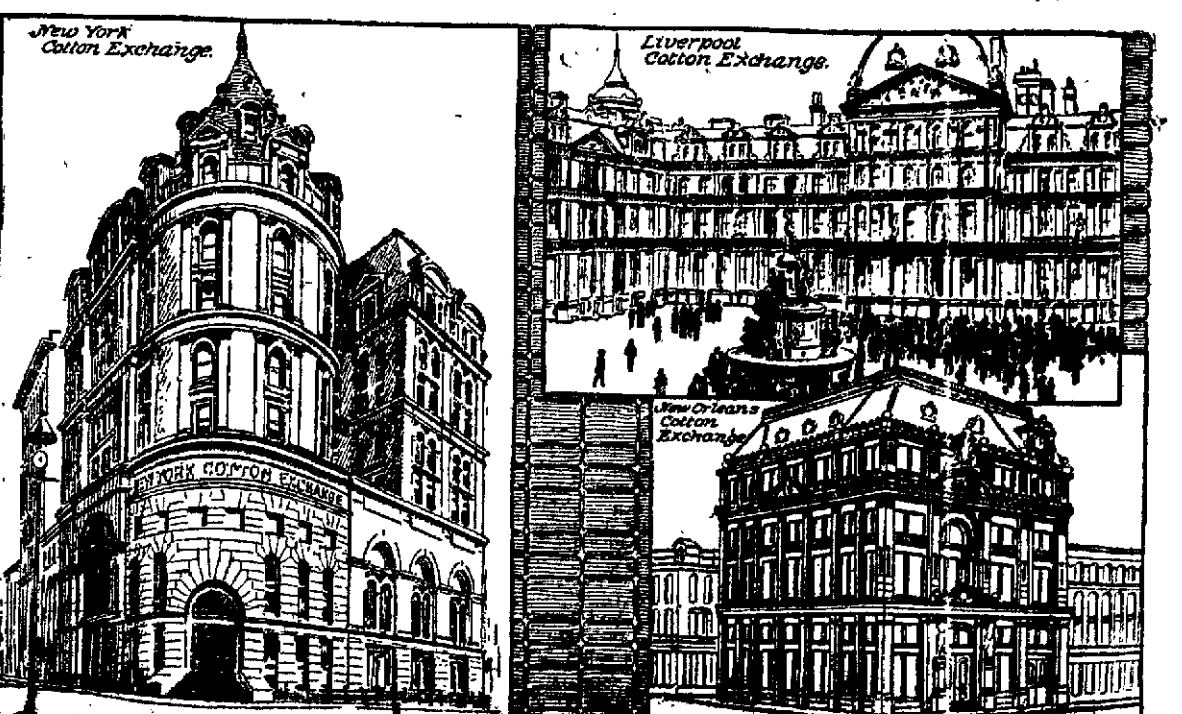


UNIQUE SHAKESPEARE RELICS.
above, is of Jacobean workmanship. It is engraved with a full length portrait of Shakespeare and bears his initials and those of Ann Hathaway. It sold for \$375.

MARVELOUS FLIGHT.

There is conclusive evidence to show that in one unbroken nocturnal flight the European bird known as the northern bluetit passes from central Africa to the German sea, a distance of 1,600 miles, making the journey in nine hours.

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